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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT  
STATE OF MONTANA

Case Number: AF 09-0688

December 4, 2016

Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court  
Montana Supreme Court  
PO Box 203003  
Helena, MT 59620-3003

By FAX 406-444-5705

Re: Professional Rules of Conduct, Rule 8.4(g)

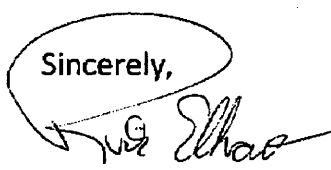
Honorable Members of the Court:

You have called for public comment of the proposed new Rule 8.4(g) of the Professional Rules of Conduct for Montana Attorneys.

As a concerned citizen, I hereby submit my request that you reject this rule for at least the following reasons:

- 1) This interferes with religious freedom guaranteed by our Constitution
- 2) Addresses a problem that is not of a material nature to which the Supreme Court should even enter into.
- 3) The Court has other material issues that has higher priority for their time.
- 4) It interferes with attorneys freedom of speech guaranteed by our Constitution
- 5) It further creates a reverse hate momentum against Christians which will serve to further divide the State of Montana and Nation.

Sincerely,

  
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